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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT

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Serial Nos. ~~1-13-16~~.

Part B for May 1916

SUBJECT.

Petition from Messrs Barton Son & Co. Bangalore applying for a warrant of appointment as opticians to the Mysore Ophthalmic Hospital, Bangalore.

To Messrs Barton Son & Co. Bangalore

&

S. N. Rama Rao. opticians. Bangal

No 8238-9. 9. 10. 5. 16

Informs them that it is not usual for the State to give such warrants

from Residency Surgeon

Subsequent letter returning the Petition of Mr S. N. Rama Rao.

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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

(Medical)

NOTES.

File No. 149-14

FILE HEADING.

Application from messrs Barton, Son & Co for a warrant of appointment as opticians to the Minto Ophthalmic Hospl, Bangalore.

From

Messrs Barton, Son & Co, Bangalore.

No. Nil Dated 14.6.15 Received 17.6.15

Diary No. 7715	Enclos.	Spare Copies.	Serial No. 1.

BRIEF ABSTRACT OF LETTER.

Request that they may be given a warrant of appointment as opticians to the Minto Ophthalmic Hospital, Bangalore.

NOTES AND ORDERS.

NOTES—First Sheet.

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REPLY.

(To be written on this margin.)

Office of the Dewan of Mysore.

NOTE.

Dated 16th June *191* 5.

Letter dated 14th June, from Messrs. Barton, Son & Co., requesting that they may be given a warrant of appointment as Opticians to the Minto Ophthalmic Hospital, Bangalore.

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Forwarded to the Secretary, General and Revenue Departments, for necessary action.

2) The letter may kindly be acknowledged.

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The Secretary,

General and Revenue Departments.

Dy Secy Genl 16/6

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	3) What the warrant ~~described~~ prayed for implies and the scope of the privileges given to the firm by such a warrant is not clear. It is a question whether Govt may take the initiative in a matter of this kind. The letter may perhaps be simply forwarded to the Senior Surgeon for disposal and the firm informed accordingly.
	4) Noted with two drafts for appl or other orders.
Bdle. 41 18.6.15	5) They are already "Jewellers and silver smiths" to His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore. The necessary references may be in Branch V. & will be put up. In the meanwhile the draft acknowledging their letter may issue
	18/6 6) Issue letter & form
	7)
	To messrs Barton Son & Co, Letter No 6907 7.15
2	Ack Knowledge receipt of SC's 1 and States that the matter will receive attention in due
	Course.
3	8) To messrs Barton Son & Co. Letter No: 32809 2.11.15
	Requests them to forward for reference a copy

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Order appointing them as Jewellers and Silver Smiths to H. H the Maharaja of Mysore

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54 Letter dy 4.11.15 from Messrs Barton Son & Co. submits the original warrant of appointment as Jewellers & Silversmiths to H. H. the Maharaja of Mysore and explains the reasons for their appn for a warrant of appointment as opticians to the Minto Ophthalmic Hospl, Bangalore.

10) The Senior Surgeon may, if appd, be A. O Corrected in regard to the request of Messrs Barton Son & Co. [A copy of the warrant appointing Messrs Barton Son & Co as Jewellers & Silversmiths to H. H. the Maharaja is placed in the file as the original is endsd in a frame with glass and cannot be subtd with the file.]

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11) Forwarded unofficially to the Senior Surgeon for favour of opinion with regard to the request.

By order.
M. Ramachandra Rao
11.11.15 for Secy to Govt Genl Dept

No. No. 83 of 15
Dated 12.11.15.

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12) Messrs Barton Son & Co., are a long standing firm of good reputation and there seems to be no objection in granting them a "warrant of appointment" as requested by them. The opinion of Dr. Ramasawmy Iyengar, Superintendent, Minto Ophthalmic Hospital, who was consulted by me in the matter, is contained in his letter No.216 dated 22-11-1915, a copy of which is attached. It would be rather hard on the firm to enforce the conditions stated by the Superintendent.

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26-11-1915. Senior Surgeon.

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Letter No. 216 dated 22nd November 1915 from Dr.S.V Ramasawmy Iyengar, Superintendent, Minto Ophthalmic Hospital, Bangalore, to the Senior Surgeon, Mysore Govt.

With reference to your letter No.2510 dated 17-11-1915 giving cover to Messrs Barton Son & Co's memorial to the Government of H.H. the Maharaja of Mysore I have the honor to state that the appointment as Opticians to the Minto Ophthalmic Hospital may be useful. Such appointments are quite common in England. I would like to add that in giving this concession and in conferring this great honour, Messrs Barton Son & Co., may be kindly requested to visit this hospital at least thrice a week in the mornings from 8 to 11 and render help in preparing the prescriptions for the patients, and to give glasses at reduced rates to bona fide poor students, especially Mysore students in Mysore schools and colleges and that in cases where temporary glasses are prescribed and changed, they may be requested to take back the temporary glasses and give new ones when so ordered, without charging double rates.

The enclosures are herewith returned.

"COPY"

Senior Surgeon.

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13) Letter dy 25.11.15 from messrs S. N. Rama Rao and Sons, Bangalore

Reg: for appointment as opticians to the Minto ophthalmic Hospital, Bangalore.

14) There are now two applications for appointment as opticians to the Minto Hospital. The opinion of the Senior Surgeon regarding one of them - the one from messrs Barton & Son - is on record in paragraph 12 of the notes supra.

Submitted for orders

Addn-39 JMAS 29.11.15 30/11 15) Forward the other application also to Senior Surgeon & Call for his opinion. Draft.

Mem 30/11

16) Draft - submitted

Addn-39 JMAS 7/9 Secno 1.12.15

Mem 1.12

16 18) To the Senior Surgeon. Ddn No. 4068 dy 2-12-15. Forwards Sl. 6 for favor of opinion with reference to paragraph 12 Supra.

7 A copy of Sl. 5 presented ~~by~~ to Dewan

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REPLY.

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Office of the Dewan of Mysore.

NOTE.

Dated.....December.....191 5

19) *Application dated the 25th November 1915 from Messrs S.N.Rama Rao & Sons, Opticians, Fort Gate, Bangalore City, requesting to be appointed as Opticians to the Government.*

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20) *Forwarded to the Secretary, General Department.*

21) *The request seems deserving of consideration. The Senior Surgeon and Dr. R.Iyengar may be consulted and action taken.*

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The Secretary,

General Department.

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V	23). A similar application of the same date (25.11.15) received from messrs. S.R Rama Rao & Sons has been forwarded to the Senior Surgeon for favor of opinion, vide paragraphs 13 to 18 of the notes above. 24) The reply of the Senior Surgeon, will, if approved, be awaited. Submitted. HBR 25 In view of the Dewan's order (para 21 supra) it is for consideration whether the file may be sent to the Senior Surgeon D.O. again. Serial 7 does not call for Dr R. Iyengar's opinion MAS 8/12/15 26 May be sent to Sr Surgeon D.O Mem 8/12
	27) forwarded unofficially to the Senior Surgeon for favor of opinion with reference to the Dewan's orders on page 8 of the notes. By order, M S Ramachandra Rao 9/12 for Secretary to Govt; 9/12/15. Asst General Secy.

No. No. 603 of 15
Dy 9th Dec. 15.

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14-12-15.

Serial No.

28) An application independently received by me from Messrs S.N. Rama Rao and Sons was forwarded by me to Dr. Ramasawmy Iyengar for his opinion, which he has given as follows,-

"Messrs Barton Son & Co., have already "applied for being appointed as Opticians to "the Minto Ophthalmic Hospital and there is "not work enough for two such in the City.

"Even the great cities of Great Britain "they have only one for each of the hospitals "and only competent and well known firms are "granted such concessions.

"I do not think Messrs Rama Rao & Sons "can be classed with Messrs Barton Son & Co. "as the former have neither the equipment nor "the stock, nor the regular supply from "England."

29) I have to accept Dr. Ramasawmy Iyengar's opinion formed on his experience in dealing with the firm.

14-12-1915. Senior Surgeon.

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NOTE.

Dated.....December.....*191* 5.

Memorandum presented by Mr. S.N. Rama Rao, of Messrs S.N.Rama Rao & Sons, Opticians Bangalore, on the 10th instant in the matter of the appointment of an Optician to the Minto Opthalmic Hospital.

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30) Forwarded to the Secretary, General Department, in continuation of a previous application from the same gentleman. The request deserves consideration.

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The Secretary,

General Department.

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Memorandum presented to the Dewan by Messrs S. N. Rama Rao and Sons.

Urges their claims for appointment as Opticians to the M. O. Hospl in preference to any other firm.

32) Subd for orders with refce to the M.O opinions of the Senior Surgeon recorded in pages 5 & 10 of these Notes.

Dewan's order:- "This appr deserves consideration". Subd M.V. 10.12.15

Abn-39 Dms 16.12.15

33. The Two firms have applied for "warrants of appointment" Viz Messrs Barton Son & Co and Messrs S. N. Rama Rao & Sons.

34. The Senior Surgeon who bases his opinion on the recommendation of the Superintendent Minto Opthalmic Hospital (Dr Ramaswami Iyengar) is in favour of Messrs Barton Son & Co being given a warrant of appointment and not Messrs S. N Rama Rao & Sons. as there is not sufficient work for two firms, and the latter firm does not possess so much locus Standi as the former

35. But before the Concession is granted Dr Ramaswami Iyengar, says that the firm should agree to Certain Conditions but the Senior Surgeon thinks it would be rather hard on the firm

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to enforce these Conditions.

36. It is necessary that the firm should give some Consideration for the privelege it wants to enjoy, and the terms proposed by Dr Ayengar do not appear to be unreasonable.

37. Submitted for orders

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(38) Before the question is finally decided either way, it is desirable to ascertain from Messrs Barton Son & Co if they are prepared to Comply with the Conditions specified by the Govt Bacteriologist in his letter. The Senior Surgeon says these Conditions are rather hard. The Enquiry may therefore be made from this office. The draft making the Enquiry should be carefully worded. So as to avoid Committing Govt to any line of action in advance & may be shown to me before issue

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39) Draft Submtd
Addn-Secy 21.12.15 Secy)

Mem 22/12

40) Issue
DVT 24/12/15
Mem 27/12

X9 41) To Messrs. Barton Son & Co., Bangalore.
Letter No. 4731 dated 9.12.15:
Enquires if they agree to certain conditions in case of their request for appt as opticians to the M. O. Hospital, being complied with.

X10 42) Letter dy 4.1.16 from Messrs Barton Son & Co. Acknowledge receipt of 81:10 and state they would gladly Conform to the Conditions Specified therein & add that they would devote special care & attention in the execution of all orders.

43) Note by the Revenue Secretary on the Letter "Branch IV. The matter is now ripe for a finial order"
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44) Subd for orders (Vide also Dewan's note Addn-31 6.1.16 copied in the margin of para 31 Supra (Page 128 the next)

45) The terms "reduced rates" & "temporary prescription" appear rather vague.

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46) If greater definiteness is considered unnecessary, a draft order appointing Messrs Barton Son & Co as Opticians for the Mysore Govt will be put up

47) The application of Messrs S. N. Rama Rao & Sons has also to be considered. They have not been consulted as regards the conditions but they are not likely to decline to accept them Draft order.

Asst 6/1/16

48) Govt may The proposals of the Supt, Kmito Hospital, may be approved for a period of two years. At the end of the first year a report on the working of the arrangement may be submitted for final orders passed.

Extracting memo & despatch

Draft ready Asst 21/1

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49) I agree 27/1 Draft ready Asst 28/1

56) I am doubtful of the expediency of this arrangement to give a monopoly of the business to a single firm like this — for virtually this arrangement will

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amount to that. It is more the public than either of the rival firms that should be consulted here. I am for declining to appoint either of them as appd. Opticians and directing the authorities of the Hospital to direct their prescriptions to neither but allow the patients to make their own choice I think it will be not quite the correct thing to practically deprive a trader resident in the city of all work and to prefer one firm in the Cantonment

51) The file may be laid before the Dewan

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52) The file may be shown to the 2nd Member of Council also & brought up officially at a meeting of Council

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53) I am afraid the request cannot be granted. Royal Warrants appointing Gentlemen Pensioners as Aides-de-Camp to the King are personal documents and it would not be right to grant such a request. Such Warrants are signed by the King himself and it would be doing what he specially dislikes to ask him to sign them.

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54) The file has to be placed before the Council for information (para 52 supra).

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55) I agree with Hon'ble Member.

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(For disposal at a meeting).

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5. 4. 1916.

GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT

Council Matter.

SUBJECT.

(Outside the Schedule).

Applications from Messrs. Barton Son & Co. and Messrs S.N. Rama Rao & Sons for 'warrants of appointments' as opticians to the Minto Ophthalmic Hospital, Bangalore.

CIRCULATED TO THE MEMBERS OF COUNCIL.

By Order,

D. M. Narasimha Rao

4th April 1916

Secretary to Government.

Extraordinary Member of Council. Opinion recorded by the Extraordinary member. 9/4/16

First Member of Council. Seen by the First Member of Council.

Second Member of Council. 9/4/16

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Subject.- Outside the Schedule.

Applications from Messrs. Barton Son & Co. and Messrs. S.N.Rama Rao & Sons for warrants of appointments as opticians to the Minto Ophthalmic Hospital, Bangalore.

OPINION OF THE COUNCIL.

It is not usual for the State to give such warrants

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General and Revenue Secretariat.

med File No. 149 of 1914-5

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55	Letter dy 10.4.16 from messrs S.N. Rama Rao and Sons
	Furnishes certain additional information in connection with their application for appointment as opticians to the Minto Ophthalmic Hospl, Bangalore.
56	The main file (med 149-14) was lent to the General Secretary on 31.3.16 with D no. 2444-Gen-39
	13.4.16
	Gen'l Secy

Coreworker to place this in relevant file.

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Serial No. 58)

A draft endorsement to Messrs Barton Son & Co & S. N. Rama Rao and Sons as listed for approval or Mn-39 Alter orders
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12 60) To Messrs Barton Son & Co.
South Parade, Bangalore
S. N. Rama Rao & Sons, Opticians
Fortgate Bangalore
No 8238-9 dt. 10.5.16
Informs them that it is not usual for the State to give such warrants.

13 61) Letter No. G.564 dated 26.6.16. from the Senior Surgeon. Returns the application of Messrs. S. N. Rama Rao & Sons, forwarded with Ll. 6.

62) May be filed final order having been communicated in Ll. 12.
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BARTON SON & Co.,
JEWELLERS SILVERSMITHS
BY APPOINTMENT TO
H.E. LORD CURZON OF KEDLESTON
VICEROY AND GOVERNOR GENERAL OF INDIA
1899-1904 AND 1904-1905
HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJAH OF MYSORE

SOUTH PARADE,

Bangalore, 14 JUN 1915 19

BRANCH AT OOTACAMUND.

DEWAN'S OFFICE.
Date of Receipt 16-6-15
Petn. Regr. No 6632

Sir M. Visvesvaraya, K.C.I.E.,

Dewan of Mysore,

Bangalore.

Dear Sir,

As Opticians of over fifty years standing in the Province of Mysore, we beg to approach the Government in connection with the optical work arising from the fulfilment of prescriptions issued to patients at the Minto Opthalmic Hospital. At home and on the Continent the big Hospitals appoint certain firms of good standing and repute to fulfil all their prescriptions in order that what is prescribed is correctly supplied. This procedure, we understand, was adopted to protect the good name of such Institutions, as many patients were known to go to the cheapest Stores for their spectacles and frequently wrong lenses were supplied by people, who while selling spectacles as a side-line, are entirely ignorant of Optics. As matters stand, we do execute a fair number of prescriptions issued from the Minto Opthalmic Hospital, but there is no doubt that a large number find their way to petty dealers, and patients are often given glasses, which do not at

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SOUTH PARADE,
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at all correspond with what have been ordered for them by the Oculist. This particularly applies to complicated prescriptions which need a thorough knowledge of Optics to fulfil, and it is in these instances that substitutions are often made, which are not only detrimental to the patients' sight, but to the good name of the Hospital.

We hold large stocks of Optical goods, and in this Department of our business endeavour to meet customers as far as possible in the way of price. Where a man cannot afford to pay our usual charges, we always endeavour to meet him, and we would extend this system very generally to the poorer classes if our petition for a Warrant of Appointment as Opticians to the Minto Opthalmic Hospital is granted.

We are, Dear Sir,

Yours faithfully,

Barton & Co

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SUBJECT Re: prayer of messrs Barton Son & Co for a warrant of appointment as Opticians to the Private Opthalmic Hospl, Bangalore.

Diary No. of letter replied to 7715

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Date of issue 6.7.15.

Signed by Mr G Srinivasa Aya

Section Med
File No. 149-14
Serial No. 2

No. 69
Med 149-14-2
9.6.7.15.

To
messrs Barton Son & Co
Sault Parade
Bangalore

Gentlemen,

I am directed to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 14th June '15 addressed to the Dewan requesting to be given a warrant of appointment as Opticians to the Private Opthalmic Hospl, Bangalore and to State that matter will receive the ~~Same has been referred to~~

over.

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Ex attention in due course.

The Senior Surgeon with Mr Ex's
of report for disposal.

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List of enclosures.

Copied by

Examined by

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SUBJECT Requesting Messrs Barton Son & Co to forward a copy of the order appointing them as Jewellers and Silversmiths to H.H the Maharaja of Mysore.

Diary No. of letter replied to 7715

Section Jud
File No. 149-14
Serial No. 43

General and Revenue Secretariat
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No. 3280
Jud 149-14-43
& 2.11.15.

Date of issue 2.11.15.

Signed by Mr B. Subba Rau

To
Messrs Barton & Son & Co.
Saith Parade
Bangalore

Gentlemen,

In Continuation of this office letter No: 69 Jud 149-14-2 & the 6th July/15, I have the honour to request you to be so good as to forward forthwith a Copy of the order appointing You as "Jewellers and Silversmiths" to His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

I have &c
Asst
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For Secy to Govt
Genl Depts.

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JEWELLERS SILVERSMITHS
BY APPOINTMENT TO
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VICEROY AND GOVERNOR GENERAL OF INDIA
1899 1904 AND 1904-1905
HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJAH OF MYSORE

SOUTH PARADE,

Bangalore, 4 - NOV 1915

BRANCH AT OOTACAMUND.

Medl. 149-14-4

The Secretary

To the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,

General Department, B A N G A L O R E.

Dear Sir

In reply to your esteemed favour No.3280/Medl. 149-14-4 dated the 2nd November 1915, we beg to submit the original Warrant of Appointment as Jewellers and Silversmiths, which we received from His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore on 1st April 1903.

We would like to take this opportunity of stating that our letter of the 14th June 1915 addressed to the Diwan Saheb with reference to being appointed by the Government as Opticians for the Minto Opthalmic Hospital, was in order that our Firm might be entrusted with the execution of prescriptions issuing from this Institution, and a reference to our letter of the 14th June 1915, at this distant date, would be helpful to show our reasons for putting forward this request.

As Opticians established in the Mysore State for well over 50 years, we feel we are in a measure entitled to ask for this privilege, particularly as we are in every way qualified to under-

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WINDOW DELIVERY NO.

SOUTH PARADE,

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Bangalore, 4 - NOV 1915 19

undertake the execution of such orders; while apart from this, our letter of the 14th June will show how very desirable, if not absolutely necessary, it is that the Government Oculist's prescriptions should be correctly discharged in every instance. We would therefore respectfully ask that if the Government would be pleased to honour us with a Warrant of Appointment, this fact might be notified to the Surgeons-in-Charge, in order that a recommendation may be made to patients to have their prescriptions forwarded to us for execution. It may be argued that this procedure will interfere with the free action of patients, who might in some instances desire to have their spectacles supplied by a Firm, other than ourselves. In reply to this, we would state that patients should certainly have the privilege of going where they like, but if the fact was notified that our Firm was working under a Warrant of Appointment from the Government, they would in most cases prefer to have their prescriptions attended to by an authorized House, to running the risk of handing them over to irresponsible people for execution.

We are, Dear Sir,

Yours faithfully,

Barton & Co

Enc to med/49-15-04

Copy of the warrant of appointment of Messrs Barton Sons & Co, Bangalore, as Jewellers and Silversmiths to H.H. the Maharaja of Mysore

His Highness
The Maharaja of Mysore
is pleased to appoint
Messrs Barton Sons and Co
Jewellers and Silversmiths
to His Highness

By His Highness' Command

Sd. E. Macnaghie I.C.S
Private Secretary to His Highness
the Maharaja of Mysore

Private Secretary's Office
the 1st April 1903

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S. N Rama Rao & Sons,
Opticians Eye-Sight Specialists,
Watch Makers, Engravers, etc

BRANCH OFFICE:— FORT GATE, BANGALORE CITY.

Fort Gate. City
287 COMMERCIAL STREET

Bangalore, 25th November 191 5

Medical 149-14-5

D. M. Narasinga Rao, Esq., B.A., B.L.,
Secretary to the Government of Mysore,
General Department, Bangalore.

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Sir,

We beg most respectfully to represent before you, that an Optician by appointment to our Mysore Government Minto Ophthalmic Hospital here has become a desideratum, and we beg leave to approach you with a request that we may be so appointed to the Hospital, as is being done in the Hospitals of Europe and elsewhere, which you and our learned Dr. R. Iyengar, Superintendent of Minto Ophthalmic Hospital are aware of.

2. The Minto Opthalmic Hospital was opened in the year 1913, and we submitted an application to the Superintendent for appointment as Opticians in April 1914. (Copy enclosed).

3. As for our claim to apply and beseech to your mercy:-

a. Mr. S. Narayan Rao, our father, late , established this line of business in the year 1868 and conducted with his sons -- (ourselves) the business till his demise in 1908 which show clearly our experience dates back so far as 1890.

b. Ever since the institution was opened, a greater portion of

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Watchmakers, Engravers, etc.

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Bangalore, 191

of the patients of the Hospital had their glasses purchased from us, which goes to prove to say the popularity of our business for low price and exquisite workmanship, that has given us a lead in the optical trade of the province.

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to the Kinto Opthalmic Hospital, Bangalore.

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Bangalore, April 11th 191 4.

To

The Superintendent,
The Minto Optholmic Hospital,
Bangalore City.

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In the event of your being pleased to appoint me as your Optician I shall increase my stock of Lenses and Frames of every description to meet your patient's demands and shall at all times give my personal attention to the execution of your prescriptions with utmost accuracy.

You are aware of my having a wide practical experience in this line of business from the time of my late father's business,

Thanking you in anticipation,

I am,
Your most obedient servant,

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GOVERNMENT OF H. H. THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE.

General and Revenue Secretariat.

(Medical)

Office Memorandum.

To The Senior Surgeon

The 2-12- 1915

The accompanying application dated the 25th ult'o 15- from messrs S. N. Rama Rao and Sons, opticians & Eye-Specialists, praying for appointment as opticians to the Minto Ophthalmic Hospital, Bangalore, is forwarded to the Senior Surgeon for favor of opinion with refce to his U.O. note No. 19 dated the 26/27 November 15- regarding a similar applicat- from messrs Barton Son & Co.

x To be kindly returned.

By order
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for Secy to Govt
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BRANCH OFFICE FORT GATE. BANGALORE CITY. Fort Gate. City

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22 COMMERCIAL STREET,

Bangalore, 25th November 1915.

D. No. 2084

DEWAN'S OFFICE.
Date of Receipt 4.12.15
Petn. Regr. No 7244

Sir M. Viswesvarayya Esq., K.C.I.E.,
Dewan of Mysore,
Bangalore.

Medical 149-14-8.

Sir

We beg most respectfully to represent before you, that an Optician by appointment to our Mysore Government Minto Ophthalmic Hospital here has become a desideratum, and we beg leave to approach you with a request that we may be so appointed to the Hospital, as is being done in the Hospitals of Europe and elsewhere, which you and our learned Dr. R. Iyengar, Superintendent of Minto Ophthalmic Hospital are aware of

2. The Minto Opthalmic Hospital was opened in the year 1913, and we submitted an application to the Superintendent for appointment as Opticians in April 1914. (Copy enclosed).

3. As for our claim to apply and beseech to your mercy:-

a. Mr. S. Narayan Rao, our father, late , established this line of business in the year 1868 and conducted with his sons -- (ourselves) the business till his demise in 1908 which shew clearly our experience dates back so far as 1890.

b. Ever since the institution was opened, a greater portion of

of the patients of the Hospital had their glasses purchased from us, which goes to prove to say the popularity of our business for low price and exquisite workmanship, that has given us a lead in the optical trade of the province.

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Bangalore, 191

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Bangalore, April 11th *191* 4

Enc. to med 149-14-8

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The Minto Optholmic Hospital,
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Thanking you in anticipation,

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FORT GATE,
Bangalore City, 10th December 191 5.

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DEWAN'S OFFICE.
Date of Receipt 10.12.15
Petn. Regr. No. 7301

Interview with The Dewan Sahib of Mysore.

Subject:- OPTICIAN.

Reason for meeting:-

The Government contemplating to appoint an Optician to the Minto Ophthalmic Hospital.

1. I suggested the appointment in April last i.e. twenty months ago and requested the Superintendent of the Minto Ophthalmic Hospital to give me the preference with no encumbrance to the state.

2. I now learn that there are two or three applicants for the proposed appointment of an optician.

3. My claims over any other applicants are:-

a. I am the first in the field to apply for and establish a shop in Bangalore City, replete with all necessaries for the trade and to suit all purses.

b. I supplied to the Minto Ophthalmic Hospital, prescription books of my firm from time to time and the hospital has graciously patronised me all along with 2/3rds of the prescriptions for glasses. My arrival to 2/3rds of the prescriptions, a figure, is from statistics; that about 80 prescriptions a month are prescribed, of which, 25% do not buy do not buy glasses for some reason or other, which comes to 60 cases, as our record show, we have done 42 cases on average, while the whole trade in the line had to their portion only 18 cases a month.

c. As a optician, I am a specialist and the only optician in the province, who has practised Retinoscopy for the correction of errors of refractoin, and this class of work is being done only by the qualified ophthalmic surgeons as Dr Acharya and Dr D. V. Giri, and I am the firt to have installed an up-to-date Dark Room for ophthalmic observations. Further, I am a practical hand at the optical bench, and do all mechanical side of optics from an un-edged lense to a finished spectacle my-self, while the other opticians of the station have to depend upon illiterate workmen.

d. I have 25 years of experience in the optical trade, and optics has been my constant study, and my establishment dates back to so far as 1868, from the time of my father late Mr S. Narayanrao.

e. I am a mysorean from generations domiciled in this country carrying business in this line, if ever you can remember I am the premier optician of Bangaloro City.

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S. N. Rama Rao.

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SUBJECT Enquiring of messrs Barton Son & Co if they agree to certain Conditions in case of their request for appointment as Opticians to the M.O. Hospl, being favorably considered Confirmed with

Diary No. of letter replied to 2084

Section Med
File No. 149-14
Serial No. ~~29~~ 9

General and Revenue Secretariat

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No. 4731
Med 149-14-~~29~~ 9
dt 29.12.15.

Date of issue 29.12.15

To

Messrs Barton Son & Co,
South Parade
Bangalore.

Signed by Jr M.S. Ramachandra Rao

Gentlemen, Sirs,

With reference to the correspondence ending with your letter dated the 4th November 15, I am directed to enquire whether in case your request for appointment as Opticians to the Minto Ophthalmic Hospital, Bangalore is complied with ~~being favorably considered~~

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by G.O.I., you are prepared to agree to the following Conditions in view of the honour and the distinction privileges attached to such an appointment

(i) To visit the Hospital at least thrice a week in the mornings between 8 & 11 A.M. and render help in preparing prescriptions for the patients.

(ii) To give Glasses at reduced rates to bonafide poor Students — especially impose Students of Schools and Colleges in the State

(iii) To take back ~~temporary~~ Glasses prescribed temporarily ~~for patients~~ and give new ones in exchange when ordered, without Charging double rates.

List of enclosures.

I have &c
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24.12.15
For Secy to G.O.I, Rev. Dept

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Re matter is now ripe for a final order

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WINDOW DELIVERY NO. 4.
SOUTH PARADE,
BRANCH AT OOTACAMUND.

Bangalore, 4 JAN 1916 19

V. R. Thyagaraja Iyer, Esq., M.A.,
Secretary to the Government of His Highness
the Maharaja of Mysore, Revenue Department,
B A N G A L O R E.

Dear Sir,

We beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter No.4731 dated the 29th December 1915, and for which we tender you our best thanks.

We will be gald to conform to the conditions laid down in your letter, for the privilege of being appointed Opticians for the fulfilment of all prescriptions for spectacles issuing from the Minto Opthalmic Hospital, and will devote special care and attention in the execution of all such orders.

We are, Dear Sir,
Yours faithfully
Barton Son & Co

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REPLY.

(To be written on this margin.)

Office of the Dewan of Mysore.

NOTE.

Dated 12.th..February.....*191* 6.

Mr. S. N. Rama Rao of Messrs. S. N. Rama Rao and Sons, saw me on 11th February 1916 and represented that he should be appointed an - optician to the Minto Ophthalmic Hospital.

Forwarded to the Secretary, General Department for consideration.

Secy., Genl. Dept.)

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Bangalore City, 14th February 191 6.

The Private Secretary,
To the Dewan Saib of Mysore, Bangalore.

Subject:- Proposed appointment of Optician to the Minto Ophthalmic Hospital, Bangalore.

Sir,

Under instructions of the Dewan Saib to put my greviences before you for communication to him on thisx subject I beg to write to say, my say, as follows:-

Reference to my previous letters in your file, fully detail, my special qualificians for the appointment proposed;

I learn that it is the view of the Superintendent of the Minto Ophthalmic Hospital to bestow the gift on Messers Barton Son & Co,

In this connection, I should like to acquaint you of the locle circumstances, if exclusively, another Optician is appointed, I and my firm mainly depending upon this institution, will starve out for my patriatic feeling and low prices compared to that of any other optician, and my location here and change from C & M Station will ever ruin me wholesale in the Bangalore field;

If this appointment is created, allow me to suggest you that your appointing one Messers Barton or other, for European clienctelle, and me for the Indian section will be a fair patronage and here mononoly will cease:

and trust that this will meet with credit for your communication of my prayers to the Dewan Saib for favorable orders.

I beg to remain
sir
yours most obedient servant

of S. N. RamaRao & Sons

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S. N. Rama Rao & Sons,
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FORT GATE,
Bangalore City, 10th April 1916.

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To. The General Secretary,

To. The Government of Mysore,
Bangalore.

Subject:-OPTICIAN TO THE OPHTHALMIC HOSPITAL.

Sir,

In continuation of my previous letters from time to time ending with my letter dated 14th Feb. 1916, to your Government on the subject of an Optician to the Minto Ophthalmic hospital of Bangalore, I beg leave to add to your information, the practice existing in the European Ophthalmic hospitals, information as gathered from the British Optical Association of London and the procedure; thus adopted to entertain opticians will meet your Government with satisfaction for an efficient check over the work in this line.

"The medical authorities select about two or three "
"leading Opticians out of a number of them and call "
"for their quotations, keeping in view, of course, "
"a land mark in efficiency as well, and pick out "
"one among them, that suit all purses, and cases of "
"the general public and engage him to locate in the "
"hospital to supply glasses to prescriptions of the "
"hospital; the hospital authorities, of course, as "
"well, then and there check the accuracy of the "
"glasses with their prescriptions and prices quoted. "

It is my humble prayer that this letter may also be added to the file of papers on the subject for a clear and definite understanding of the case to show that the anxiety of the Government to succour help to the suffering public with a minimum of cost to them, can be commanded with confidence that the efficiency and low prices are insured, and the Government meet with satisfaction that their efforts to provide qualified specialists at an enormous expenditure for consultation a boon to their subjects, is properly, and with no inadvertance, availed of to their best advantage.

I beg to remain,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

S. N. RAMA RAO & SONS

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GOVERNMENT OF H. H. THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE.

General and Revenue Secretariat.

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Office Memorandum.

To

Messrs Barton Son & Co
Santa Parady, Bangalore.

The 10. 5. 1916

2. S. N. Rama Rao & Sons Opticians, Fort-gate, Bangalore

Gentlemen,

With reference to the correspondence ending with the ~~your~~ letter ~~from~~ dated the 2th November '15 regarding 10th April 1916 ~~warrant~~ of ~~your~~ application for appointment as opticians to the Mysore Ophthalmic Hospital, Bangalore I am directed to ~~inform~~ Messrs Barton Son & Co. & Messrs S. N. Adiga & Co & Sons ~~you~~ that it is not usual for the State to give such warrants

The original warrant appointing ~~your~~ jewellers and Silversmiths to H. H. the Maharaja of Mysore is herewith returned with their No.

To be typed only in the copy intended for Messrs Barton Son & Co.

By order I have etc

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For Secy to Govt

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Office of Senior Surgeon, Mysore Govt.

Dated, Bangalore, 26 - 6 - 1916.

Medical. 149-14-13.

From

Rajakarya Pravina
Rao Bahadur T. V. Arumugam Mudaliar, Esq., M. B., C. M.,
Senior Surgeon with the Government of
H. H. the Maharaja of Mysore, Bangalore.

To

The Secretary to the Government of
H. H. the Maharaja of Mysore,
General Deptt., Bangalore.

Sir,

I have the honor to return herewith the application of Messrs S.N. Rama Rao and Sons, received with your office Memo No. 4068-Med. 149-14 dated 2nd December 1915.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

T V Arumugam

Senior Surgeon.

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From

The Senior Surgeon,
Mysore Govt., Bangalore.

To

The Secretary
to the Govt. of Mysore,
General Deptt.,
Bangalore.

Dated 26-6-1916

No. G. 564

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Subject.

Returning the application of Messrs S. M. Rama Rao and sons received with 4068-med 149-14 dated 2-12-15